Please note the following important considerations for developing your Stage 2 application

- Your complete Stage 1 application is available as a PDF in the Uploaded Documents Section of your online application.
- Please note, the application website has a 30-minute inactivity automatic logout. Therefore, we recommend that you type your responses in a word processing program and then copy them into the application website

- **Sections 1- 5** will be pre-populated from your Stage 1 application
  - You should go back revise, edit, and expand upon your Stage 1 responses. Your application will be reviewed in its entirety for the Stage 2 review. Thus, it is expected that your responses to all the narrative questions (even those previously submitted) will have more detail than what you had submitted for Stage 1.
  - In each section you will be asked to acknowledge that you had reviewed and revised your Stage 1 responses as appropriate. You will have to check the box for the section to be considered "complete".
- **Section 6- Budget**, will not be editable. To make changes to your budget, you will have to go to Section 13, which will be pre-populated with information from Stage 1, Section 6 (see below for more information on Section 13).
- **Section 7- Abbreviations**, please update if you add any new abbreviations for the Stage 2 application
- **Section 8-13** are new sections for the Stage 2 application
  - Please complete all of the questions in these sections for your application to be considered complete.
  - **Section 8**
    - The PRC comments for your Stage 1 review are listed here. Please address all comments and consider revising your application based on these comments. Please keep in mind, that applications were reviewed by 1-3 PRC members who may have different opinions on the proposal. The TB REACH Secretariat will not be able to answer specific questions concerning the PRC comments, but suggests applicants carefully consider the recommendations and address each one separately in the Stage 2 application.
    - The Finance comments are listed here as well. Please take into consideration the feedback as you develop your proposal and respond to any comments if requested.
  - **Section 13**
    - This section will be pre-populated with some information that you submitted in Stage 1
    - You will not be able to request more money than what you had requested in Stage 1.
    - You will be able to decrease your budget request if you choose to do so or if it was recommended by one of the reviewers or requested by the Finance reviewers.
    - You will also be able to make changes to distribution of the budget across the budget lines
    - You will be requested to provide more in-depth information on the major cost-drivers of your intervention
    - You will be requested to upload a detailed budget by using the template uploaded in the resource section.
    - Please address the comments provided in the "financial comments" section in the platform in case you have received any.

An important note on Empowering Women and Girls

TB REACH received feedback from the PRC that the overall quality of the applications in regards to empowering women and girls was weak. Proposals tended to focus only on describing barriers for women in the communities; interventions that involved women as low paid staff or volunteers; or case finding interventions targeted at women without providing any rationale for the intervention. Most applications did not propose solutions that addressed these barriers nor did they provide empowering opportunities for women. Moreover, the TB REACH Wave 7 call is not necessarily focused on providing case detection or treatment support that targets women. Empowering women and girls should be addressed as a social and economic issue in the communities where applicants are proposing their interventions.

We recognize the challenge in meaningfully including women's empowerment into TB programs. We encourage all applicants to a) take a practical approach and focus on small steps in contributing to women's empowerment in the community b) ensure that the issues that are mentioned in the problem statement are addressed by the interventions (for example if there is a limitation on women's movement in the community, how will hiring women as community health workers help address this issue?).

We also advise that ALL Stage 2 applicants (re)review the supplemental materials provided by TB REACH. The Women and Girls empowerment concept note and the framework are short and provide concrete examples of programming that can be included into applications. Please also note that TB REACH will likely hold a webinar to address the inclusion of empowerment into applications.

The submission deadline for your Full Proposal / Stage 2 application is Wednesday, 17 July 2019 at 17:00 Geneva time. Applications MUST be submitted using this Wave 7 application website. Please note that once all sections are marked as complete your application is considered complete, but you still may make edits to your application until the deadline. There is no submit button. The PRC will only review applications after the Stage 2 period closes. Proposals submitted via email in Word/PDF format will NOT be accepted or reviewed.